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February 9, 2016

# VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to Revoke Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity of Certain Motor Carriers For Failure to Maintain and File Evidence of Insurance

Docket No. 2016- -T

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please find enclosed for this docket, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff's Petition to Revoke certificates of certain motor carriers for failure to maintain and file evidence of insurance.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

Encl.

cc: All Parties of Record (via U.S. Mail)

Joseph Melchers, Esquire (via U.S. Mail)

#### **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### OF SOUTH CAROLINA

# DOCKET NO. 2016- -T

IN RE: Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to
Revoke Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity of Certain Motor Carriers For
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Insurance

PETITION FOR REVOCATION
OF CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
OF CERTAIN MOTOR CARRIERS

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"), by filing this petition, would respectfully show and request of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"):

- 1. That the Commission is a state agency constituted pursuant to the laws of the State of South Carolina with its business offices located in Columbia, South Carolina; that the Commission is responsible for the regulation of motor vehicle carriers operating for compensation as set forth in S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-10 et seq. (2015 and Supp. 2015); that ORS is charged with the duty to protect the public interest pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-4-10 et seq. (2015 and Supp. 2015).
- 2. That the companies listed in Exhibit A have been approved by the Commission and certified by ORS to operate as "motor vehicle carriers" as defined in S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-10(4) (2015) in that they own, control, operate, or manage motor propelled vehicles, not usually operated on or over rails, used in the business of transporting persons or property for compensation over improved public highways in this state.
- 3. That the companies listed in Exhibit A, each having applied for and having an Order from the Commission to receive a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("PC&N") to operate a motor vehicle carrier as defined in S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-10(4) (2015), have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Commission by holding said Certificate PC&N, and are therefore subject to the

jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-1010 et seq. (2015 and Supp. 2015).

See Exhibit A, Carriers Out of Compliance for Failure to Maintain and File Evidence of Insurance.

- 4. That the companies listed in Exhibit A, prior to receiving their Certificate PC&N, were each found to be fit, willing and able to operate as a motor carrier by the Commission; from our understanding that in obtaining such authority the companies certified they are "familiar with all statutes and regulations, including safety regulations, governing for-hire motor carrier operations in South Carolina and agree to operate in compliance with these statutes and regulations" 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133(4)(a) (2012); further, the companies certified they are "aware of the commission's insurance requirements and the costs associated therewith." 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133(4)(b) (2012).
- 5. That the Commission requires motor carrier applicants to procure and file with the Commission proper proof of insurance and that the insurance "must be kept in full force and effect and failure to do so is cause for the revocation of the certificate." S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-910 (2015).
- 6. That the companies listed in Exhibit A have failed to file proof of insurance as required by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-910 (2015) and 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-171 and/or 103-174 (2012). See Exhibit B, Affidavit of Carole Chauvin.
- 7. That ORS notified the companies listed in Exhibit A, through certified mail, return receipt requested, of their failure to file the required documents providing evidence of insurance; that despite this notification, the listed companies have continued to fail to comply with the requirements of providing evidence of insurance.
- 8. That "[a] failure to file evidence of insurance, self-insurance or surety bond shall be just cause for the commission, without further evidence or hearing, to suspend its order granting authority or to suspend the certificate or any license issued to the motor carrier. A failure to keep all insurance, self-insurance, or surety bond in full force and effect shall result in automatic suspension, upon receipt of an affidavit from the ORS with supporting evidence, of the commission's order granting authority, the certificate, and any license issued to the motor carrier..." 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-175 (2012); further, that "the [insurance] policy, [surety] bond or certificate of self-insurance...must be kept in full

force and effect and failure to do so is cause for the revocation of the certificate." S.C. Code Ann. §58-23-910 (2015).

- 9. That "[t]he commission may at any time, after notice and opportunity to be heard, suspend, revoke, alter, or amend any certificate, if it shall be made to appear that the holder has willfully violated or refused to observe orders, rules, or regulations prescribed by the commission, provisions of the Motor Vehicle Carrier Law, or any other law of this State regulating motor carriers for hire and applicable to the holder of such certificate, or, if, in the opinion of the commission, the motor carrier holding a Certificate of PC&N is not furnishing adequate service or it is no longer compatible with the public interest to continue said certificate in force, or, if in the opinion of the commission, the motor carrier holding a Certificate of FWA is no longer furnishing adequate service, or said carrier no longer meets the fit, willing, and able criteria..." 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-240 (2012).
- That "[t]he commission may, after a hearing, order the suspension, revocation, alteration, or amendment of any certificate issued pursuant to Articles 1 through 11 of this chapter, if it is proved that the holder of the certificate willfully made any misrepresentation of a material fact in obtaining his certificate or willfully violated or refused to observe the laws of this State touching motor vehicle carriers or willfully violated any of the terms of his certificate or of the commission's proper orders, rules or regulations. But the holder of the certificate has the right of appeal to any court of competent jurisdiction. The commission must not be a party to any appeal." S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-320 (2015).
- 11. That the information listed in Exhibit A is the mailing address for each carrier on file with the Commission and ORS and the information listed in Exhibit A was provided by each carrier listed in Exhibit A. See Exhibit A, Carriers Out of Compliance for Failure to Maintain and File Evidence of Insurance. See Exhibit B, Affidavit of Carole Chauvin.

# WHEREFORE, ORS respectfully requests that the Honorable Commission:

1. Provide for the opportunity by the carrier to respond to the allegations of this Petition within (30) days from the date of receipt of this Petition;

- 2. Schedule and conduct a formal administrative hearing as soon as practicable to address disputed issues of fact and law regarding the Certificates of PC&N of the carriers listed in Exhibit A, which ORS seeks to have revoked by the Commission in this action pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-175 and 103-240 (2012) and S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-320 (2015);
- 3. Following the formal administrative hearing, immediately rule to revoke the Certificates of those motor carriers listed in Exhibit A in accordance with the authority provided to the Commission under 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-240 (2012) and S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-320 (2015) and thereafter immediately enter a final Order; and,
- 4. For other appropriate action which the Commission may deem necessary.

Andrew M. Bateman, Esquire

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February 9, 2016 Columbia, South Carolina

# Exhibit A - Petition to Revoke Certificates for Failure to Maintain Proof of Current Insurance February 9, 2016

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1	2014-395-T	Tavi	A-1 Taxi Company LLC		813 Runaway Bay Ln Apt L	Mt Pleasant	SC	29464
	2013-460-T		ABS Transportation LLC		PO Box 704	Irmo	SC	29063
	2011-400-T		Access Community Transportation, LLC		106 Fabrister Ln Ste D		SC	29072
			Benjamin Hilliard, Sr. & Benjamin Hilliard, Jr.	B & L Charter Bus Lines	533 Hilliard Blvd.	Vance	SC	29163
			BMLR LLC	Spanish Moss Charters and Tours	10 Aviation Ct	Garden City	GA	31408
		Charter Bus		Spanish Moss Charters and Tours	10 Aviation Ct	Garden City	GA	31408
7	2010-260-T		Bowers Signature Services, LLC		PO Box 1828	Easley	SC	29641
8	2011-382-T		Burgandy Taxi Service, Inc.		535 Clyburn Ave	Hartville	SC	29550
9			C & G Charter Ser. LLC		PO Box 24971	Columbia	SC	29224
10	2014-266-T		Caring Man in a Van LLC		1021 Industrial Blvd Ste B	Watkinsville	GA	30677
	2012-25-T		Carolina Executive Coach, LLC		701 Gervais St Ste 150/411	Columbia	SC	29201
12	2013-409-T		Charity Barr	The Wright Taxi	1760 Bridge Water Dr	Conway	SC	29526
13	2015-80-T	Non-Emer	Equality Mobility Transportation Services LLC		1076 Moss Grove Dr	Moncks Corner	SC	29461
14	2014-284-T	Taxi	F & T Transportation LLC		115 N Guingnard Dr	Sumter	SC	29150
15	1997-370-T	Taxi	Gaffney Cab Company, Inc.		316 W 3rd St	Gaffney	SC	29341
16	2011-30-T	Taxi	Gerald Brice	Chuck Town Transit	520 Rose Ln	Summerville	SC	29485
17	2014-459-T	Taxi	Gregory Perry	Perry Elite Taxi	7927 St Ives Rd Apt 213	Charleston	SC	29406
	1994-481-T		Hilton Head Limousine Company, Inc.	Yellow Cab	PO Box 22348		SC	29925
	2015-242-T		Hosie Dinkins		4286 Reona Ave	Sumter	SC	29154
20	2014-460-T		Hub City Hopper LLC	Hub City Hopper	334 Lowndes Dr	Spartanburg	SC	29307
21		Charter	James J. Richburg	Quintessential Charleston Transportation & Limo	367 Fifth Ave	Mt. Pleasant	SC	29464
	2011-523-T		James L. Fordham, Jr.		1430 Meeting St	Charleston_	sc	29405
	2014-343-T		Junior & Shalonda Reaves	J & S Taxi Service	516 Upland Ave	Marion	SC	29571
	2014-42-T		Lowcountry Valet LLC	<u> </u>	3705 Priscilla St #5B	North Charleston	SC	29405
	2014-174-T		Lucky Limo LLC		1851 Brittlebush Ln	John's Island	SC	29455
26			Luella M. Bolton	BBB Taxi	PO Box 349	Hopkins	SC	29061
27	2010-218-T		PTS Transportation Services, LLC		6 Executive Ct	Lake Wylie	SC	29710
28		Taxi	Roger Grainger		213 W White St	Rock Hill	SC	29730
	2014-91-T	Taxi	Saaleem Sims		113 Westford Rd	Florence	SC	29506
30			Sarah Wilson-Orr	J & S Charter Services	2015 Tuskegee St	Savannah	GA	31405
31		Charter Bus			5469 Jefferson Davis Hwy	North Augusta	SC	29842
32		Charter Bus			150 Glenda Dr	LaGrange	GA	30241
33			Serenity Transportation, LLC		PO Box 1053	Walterboro	SC	29488
34		Charter	Southeast Transportation Services, LLC		304 E Frontage Rd	Greer	SC	29651
35			T & G Transportation LLC		417 Vintage Cir	Myrtle Beach	SC	29579
36	2013-158-T	Non-Emer	Trans Care, LLC	1	2230 Honeysuckle Ln	Bennettsville	SC	29512

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# **February 9, 2016**

IN RE: Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to Revoke Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity of Certain Motor Carriers for Failure to Maintain and File Evidence of Insurance

AFFIDAVIT OF CAROLE CHAUVIN

The Affiant, after having been first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

- 1) My name is Carole Chauvin and I am employed by the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") as a Program Specialist for the Transportation Department.
- 2) My office is located at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201.
- 3) My duties and responsibilities as a Program Specialist for ORS include serving as custodian of records for business filings associated with motor vehicle carriers subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission ("PSC").
- 4) It is the regular business practice of ORS to maintain certain business records required to be filed by motor vehicle carriers that are subject to the jurisdiction of the PSC.
- 5) As a result of my duties and responsibilities, I have knowledge of the manner in which the books and records are kept and of any books or records which are not complete or which are not on file with ORS.
- 6) On February 9, 2016, I examined the business records on file with ORS.
- 7) As a result of that examination, I attest that the proof of insurance as required by 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-171 and/or 103-174 (Supp. 2013) has not been filed with ORS by the following carriers as of February 9, 2016:" (See attached list)

# AND FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Carole Chauvin

Program Specialist, Transportation Department

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Office of Regulatory Staff

1401 Main Street, Suite 900

Columbia, S.C. 29201

Sworn and subscribed before me this 9 day of Humany, 20 16

Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: 7-19-2021

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IN RE:	Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff to	)	
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	and Necessity of Certain Motor Carriers	)	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
	For Failure to Maintain and File Evidence	)	
	of Insurance	)	

This is to certify that I, Faith E. Shehane, have this date served one (1) copy of the **PETITION TO REVOKE FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN AND FILE EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE** in the above-referenced matter to the person(s) named below by causing said copy to be deposited in the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below:

[PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LIST OF PARTIES SERVED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES]

Faith E. Shehane

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